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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2879**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hidekazu KOBAYASHI

Group Art Unit: 2879

Application No.: 09/509,121

Examiner: S. Roy

Filed: March 23, 2000

Docket No.: 105034

For: ELECTROLUMINESCENT DEVICE HAVING A THIN-FILM LAYER  
(AS AMENDED)

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the November 28, 2003 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 15, 17, 19-28, 30, 32-38 and 40 are pending in this application. Reconsideration based on the following remarks is respectfully requested.

**I. The Claims Define Allowable Subject Matter**

The Office Action rejects claims 15, 17, 19-23, 25-28, 30-36, 38 and 40 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,739,635 to Wakimoto (hereinafter "Wakimoto") in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,575,800 to Kobayashi et al. (hereinafter "Kobayashi"); and claims 22, 23, 35 and 36 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over